Joseph and Emmanuela Asong



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Dear Friends in Christ,

We thank you dearly for your continuing partnership with us as we remain steadfast in helping the Grace Church in Malawi train godly leaders who will faithfully serve the Grace Churches in this country and help spread God's grace both within and outside of Malawi.

CAMEROON

While in Cameroon last year, Joseph ministered among the Grace believers in Douala as well as in the Kumba Area. He taught on several occasions, counselled, and supported and discipled God's people. We also partnered with a ministry started by Emmanuela's family, so Joseph preached grace constantly to the new assembly. This ministry organized a refreshing send forth service for us. The service brought together Grace believers and our relatives to pray for us as we returned to the mission field.

Please pray for Cameroon as the English minority area where we come from is demanding independence from the French majority government. Courts and schools have been closed in our area since last year. Internet has been shut down for more than a month and we are no longer able to communicate regularly with most of our friends and relatives as direct calls from Malawi to Cameroon are very expensive.

Kindly thank God for Pastor Bali Jacob, Chairperson for the Grace Churches in Cameroon. He had surgery on his right leg due to an accident that happened in 2002. The surgery was successful and he is recuperating well. Thank God too for funds that have been made available to provide playing equipment and computers to our nursery and primary school in Cameroon.

GHANA

In keeping with GMI's **VISION 2023**, Joseph took a survey trip to Ghana where he had an incredible experience with Pastor Peter Adjei-Annoh and the Grace Bible Church of Ghana. Imagine the joy Joseph experienced as he ministered among well-established Grace believers there. The Grace Bible Church of Ghana has expressed a firm desire to partner with GMI in spreading God's grace in Ghana and the entire West Africa region. **Please pray that a second survey trip will be made by GMI**



Praying during the send forth service





Attending a funeral in Ghana - Pastor Peter is in the middle





Sipping coconut juice in Kumasi, Ghana

soon and that a potential partnership between the two will become a catalyst for strengthening and spreading God's grace in Ghana and all of West Africa.

MALAWI

Much has happened and continues to happen since we have been back in Malawi! We were glad to find our GMI colleagues strong and steadfast in the work of ministry. We are particularly praising the LORD for the **Nyakambiris** who have just been approved as GMI Partners. Please pray for the very best for them. Among the many things happening is the ministry that Emmanuela has begun! She is teaching a Business and Cookery Class to Grace women every week and this has been so well received. Please pray that the LORD will continue to use Emmanuela to bless these dear sisters as they tend to practical matters of life. Joseph is working closely with the National Council as they plan several building projects that will generate revenue for the ministry. Meanwhile, classes are ongoing in the Lilongwe Bible School and plans are underway for trips outside of Lilongwe for some Bible School modules where Chichewa is spoken. It has been great for Joseph to work with Yamikani Lefani, one of our Bible School students in Lilongwe, to secure a partnership with Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF) in Malawi. They have supplied us with quality materials for children's ministry and are going to continue to provide other services.

We are also so grateful for our friends from New York, Jordan and Wendy Karr, who faithfully proclaim and teach the grace of God. We have been in partnership with them for over two years now and among other things, they have faithfully ministered to us and many young believers and Christian leaders in Malawi and throughout Africa whom we have recommended to them.

SOME HOUSEKEEPING

In March we finally moved into a much needed house with ample space for Princess and Parker to play. We are thankful to the LORD for this victory! Please also note that our postal address has changed –yes, we know, again! We hope it will be permanent this time, at least while we are in Malawi: Grace Church in Malawi, Post Office Box 20043, Lilongwe, Malawi, East Africa.

Once again, a million thanks for your consistent support for us and the ministry!

Warmest love and greetings from our family and also on behalf of all the saints here in Malawi!

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Our family back in Lilongwe



Emmanuela's cooking class



Acquiring children's books from CEF



Our new home